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THE CLAIMS

This is listing of the claims currently before the Examiner. They remain un-amended in this response:

LISTING OF CLAIMS:

1.   (Previously presented) A system for real-time, communication between a plurality of separated users, comprising

(a) at least one communication device for use by each of the plurality of users and having an associated display;

(b) at least one communication network to which at least first and second users can connect by logging in at their respective communication devices;

(c) at least one service record for the first and second logged in users, the at least one service record including user identification information and an associated location where the first and second users are logged in no matter where they are located;

(d) computer software for

(i) causing display of a user identifier at least one of which is a graphical icon for representing at least the second user in a personalized list on the display of at least the first user's communication device, and

(ii) generating a signal in response to a first user selecting the displayed second user's identifier; and

(e) collaboration initiation software that functions

(i) to cause the retrieving of necessary addressing information of the second user, and

(ii) to cause the establishing of a connection between the first and second users, and thereby

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       (iii) to enable real-time communication displayed on the display of the first and second users;

wherein the system is configured to indicate to a user whether another user is not logged in.

2.   (Previously presented) The system of claim 1, wherein the communication includes real-time text displayed on the displays associated with the first and second users.

3.   (Previously presented) The system of claim 2, wherein at least one communication device is a wireless device.

4.   (Previously presented) The system of claim 2, wherein the communication network is a wide area network.

5.   (Canceled)

6.   (Canceled)

7.   (Canceled)

8.   (Previously presented) The system of claim 2, wherein the system is configured to allow the first user to:

       (a) select a new user from among a plurality of potential users; and

       (b) add that new user to an existing communication.

9.   (Previously presented) The system of claim 2, wherein the system is configured to:

       (a) detect an attempt by a third user to initiate a communication with the first user;

       (b) notify the first user of the attempt; and

       (c) allow the first user to establish a communication with the third user.

10.   (Previously presented) The system of claim 9, wherein the system is configured to cause an indication of the attempt to initiate communications to appear automatically on a user's display.

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11.   (Previously presented) The system of claim 2, wherein the system is configured to

       (a) allow the first user to send an e-mail to the second user.

12.   (Previously presented) The system of claim 2, wherein the communication includes
at least one picture image.

13.   (Previously presented) The system of claim 2, wherein the communications includes
video images of at least one participant.

14.   (Previously presented) A system for real-time, communication between a plurality of
separated users, comprising

       (a) at least one communication device for use by each of the plurality of users and
       having an associated display;

       (b) at least one communication network to which at least first and second users can
       connect by logging in at their respective communication devices;

       (c) at least one service record for the first and second logged in users, the at least one
       service record including user identification information and an associated location
       where the first and second users are logged in;

       (d) computer software for

              (i) causing display of a user identifier for at least the second user in a
              personalized list on the display of at least the first user's communication
              device, and

              (ii) generating a signal in response to a first user selecting the displayed
              second user's identifier; and

       (e) collaboration initiation software that functions

              (i) to cause the retrieving of necessary addressing information of the second
              user, and

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(ii) to cause the establishing of a connection between the first and second users, and thereby

(iii) to enable real-time communication text messages displayed on the display of the first and second users;

wherein the system is configured to

- indicate to a user whether another user is not logged in and

wherein the system is further configured to

- detect an attempt by a third user to initiate a communication with the first user;

- notify the first user of the attempt by causing a notification of the attempt to initiate communications to appear automatically on a user's display; and

- allow the first user to establish a communication with the third user.

15.   (Previously presented) The system of claim 14, wherein the personalized list includes at least one graphical icon representing a user.

16.   (Canceled)

17.   (Previously presented) The system of claim 14, wherein the service records further include a location where the first and second users are logged in no matter where they are located.

18.   (Canceled)

19.   (Previously presented) The system of claim 14, wherein at least one communication device is a wireless device.

20.   (Previously presented) The system of claim 19, wherein the communication network is a wide area network.

21.   (Previously presented) The system of claim 17, wherein the system is configured to allow the first user to:

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(a) select a new user from among a plurality of potential users; and

(b) add that new user to an existing communication.

22.   (Canceled)

23.   (Previously presented) The system of claim 19, wherein a user is selected by clicking on an icon.

24.   (Previously presented) The system of claim 14, wherein the system is configured to allow users to indicate they want to accept incoming communications.

25.   (Previously presented) The system of claim 22, wherein the system is configured to cause the attempt to initiate communications to appear automatically on a user's display.

26.   (Previously presented) The system of claim 17, wherein the system is configured to

(a) allow the first user to send an e-mail to the second user.

27.   (Previously presented) The system of claim 16, wherein the communication includes at least one picture image.

28.   (Previously presented) The system of claim 17, wherein the communications includes video images of at least one participant.

29.   (Previously presented) A system for real-time, communication between a plurality of separated users, comprising

(a) at least one communication device for use by each of the plurality of users, at least one device being a wireless device and device having an associated display;

(b) at least one communication network to which at least first and second users can connect by logging in at their respective communication devices;

(c) at least one service record for the first and second logged in users, the at least one service record including user identification information and an associated location where the first and second users are logged in no matter where they are located;

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(d) computer software for

(i) causing display of a user identifier for at least the second user in a personalized list on the display of at least the first user's communication device, and

(ii) generating a signal in response to a first user selecting the displayed second user's identifier; and

(e) collaboration initiation software that functions

(i) to cause the retrieving of necessary addressing information of the second user, and

(ii) to cause the establishing of a connection between the first and second users, and thereby

(iii) to enable real-time communication displayed on the display of the first and second users.

30.   (Previously presented) The system of claim 29, wherein the communication includes real-time text displayed on the displays associated with the first and second users.

31.   (Previously presented) The system of claim 30, wherein the personalized list includes graphical representations of users and is scrollable.

32.   (Previously presented) The system of claim 31, wherein the system is configured to indicate to a user whether another user is not logged in.

33.   (Previously presented) The system of claim 32, wherein the system is configured to allow the first user to:

(a) select a new user from among a plurality of potential users; and

(b) add that new user to an existing communication.

34.   (Previously presented) The system of claim 30, wherein the system is configured to:

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(a) detect an attempt by a third user to initiate a communication with the first user;

(b) notify the first user of the attempt; and

(c) allow the first user to establish a communication with the third user.

35.   (Previously presented) The system of claim 34, wherein the system is configured to cause the indication of the attempt to initiate communications to appear automatically on a user's display.

36.   (Previously presented) The system of claim 30, wherein the communications includes video images of at least one participant.